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## Via ECF

The Honorable Lorna G. Schofield United States District Judge United States District Court Southern District of New York 40 Foley Square New York, NY 10007

Re: <u>United States v. Willie Dennis</u> 20 Cr. 623 (LGS) Application Granted. It is hereby ORDERED that the status conference currently scheduled for June 28, 2022, will be conducted via videoconference. The defendant, his counsel and counsel for the Government are directed to appear and will be provided with call-in instructions via email. Members of the press and public may dial into this hearing using conference call number (888) 363-4749, and access code 558-3333. The Clerk of the Court is directed to terminate the letter motion at docket number 49.

Dated: June 27, 2022 New York, New York

LORNA G. SCHOFIELD
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Dear Judge Schofield,

We write in advance of the June 28, 2022 conference, which the Court has scheduled to address Mr. Dennis's request that he be permitted to represent himself in the above-captioned matter. *See* Dkt. 48. On the afternoon of June 25, 2022, Mr. Dennis (who presently resides in Florida) informed the government and our office that he would like this appearance to proceed by video conference in light of certain health issues his mother is experiencing. The government has no objection to this request.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: AUSAs Sarah Kushner, Marguerite Colson Mr. Willie Dennis (via email)